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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION DIRECTIVE

| ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER | | DATE | December 01, 2014 |
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| MOTOR CARRIER MATTER | | DOCKET NO. | 2014-399-WS |
| UTILITIES MATTER | ✓ | ORDER NO. | 2014-991 |

THIS DIRECTIVE SHALL SERVE AS THE COMMISSION'S ORDER ON THIS ISSUE.

SUBJECT:

<u>DOCKET NO. 2014-399-WS</u> - <u>Joint Application of Carolina Water Service, Incorporated; United Utility Companies, Incorporated; Utilities Services of South Carolina, Incorporated; and Southland Utilities, Incorporated for Approval of Transfer of Stock and Merger - Discuss with the Commission the Request of Don Long for a Public Hearing to be Held in Lake Wylie, South Carolina, along with the Applicants' Motions for Expedited Review and Waiver of Hearing.</u>

COMMISSION ACTION:

Deny the motion of the applicants for Expedited Review and Waiver of Hearing. The merged utility, if approved, will impact a broad range of diverse communities with ratepayers who deserve the opportunity to hear details of the proposed merger and possible impacts on them. Direct Staff to set this matter for hearing on the merits. Move to request ORS and direct the Company to work with Commission Staff to schedule an informational session on these issues in advance of the merits hearing. The informational session is to be held at the Commission offices in Columbia to be immediately followed by a public night hearing. These proceedings are to be scheduled at the Commission offices in Columbia due to the statewide nature of the merged companies' service area and to serve judicial economy.

| PRESIDING: | Hall | | | | SESSION | N: <u>Regu</u> | <u>ılar</u> | TIME: | 4:30 p | .m. |
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